



Civic Arts Commission  
Office of Economic Development

**MINUTES**  
**Civic Arts Commission Meeting**  
**Wednesday, April 27, 2022**  
**6:00 PM**

**No physical location; meeting held exclusively through videoconference and teleconference.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER 6:03 PM**

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Commissioners Present:** Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Dhesi, La, Ozol, Passmore, Woo. Anno arrived at 6:16pm.

**Commissioners Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Hilary Annah, Grants Program Lead; Jennifer Lovvorn, Commission Secretary/Chief Cultural Affairs Officer; Zoë Taleporos, Public Art Program Lead.

**Members of the public in attendance:** 2

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT (for items not on the agenda)**

None.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

a) **March 23, 2022 Draft Minutes**

**Action:** M/S/C (Bullwinkel/Blecher) to approve the March 23, 2022 Minutes.

**Vote:** Ayes — Anno, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Dhesi, Ozol, Passmore, Woo; Nays — None; Abstain — La; Absent — None.

**4. CHAIR'S REPORT**

a) The Chair welcomed new Civic Arts staff.

b) The Chair announced that Commissioners may change their subcommittee assignments. Covarrubias stepped down from the Public Art Subcommittee.

Bullwinkel stepped down from the Grants Subcommittee. Blecher joined the Grants Subcommittee as the new Chair. Dhesi joined the Public Art Subcommittee.

## 5. PRESENTATIONS, DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

- a) **Health Housing Community Services presentation on Berkeley's affordable housing programs and information on preference policy, Jenny Wyant, Community Development Project Coordinator** — No action taken.

- b) **Request additional Civic Arts Commission meeting for a retreat (Attachment 2)**

**Action:** M/S/C (Bullwinkel/Anno) to approve the request for an additional Civic Arts Commission meeting for a retreat.

**Vote:** Ayes — Anno, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Dhesi, La, Ozol, Passmore, Woo;  
Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — None.

- c) **Budget Referral Request to Council for additional funding for the annual festival grants (Attachment 3)**

**Action:** M/S/C (Anno/Blecher) to approve the Budget Referral Request to Council for additional funding for the annual festival grants.

**Vote:** Ayes — Anno, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Dhesi, La, Ozol, Passmore, Woo;  
Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — None.

- d) **Discuss Draft FY23 Public Art Budgets (Attachment 4)** — No action taken.

- e) **Discussion of capital improvement funding for Berkeley arts organizations** — No action taken.

## 6. STAFF REPORT

- a) Staff provided an update on Civic Center.
- b) Staff discussed communication with Civic Arts Staff.

## 7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Grants — Committee met on March 10, 2022 to discuss FY23 Civic Arts Commission Work Plan.
- Lisa Bullwinkel, Chair
  - Liz Ozol

- Cameron Woo
- b) Policy — Committee met on March 7, 2022 to discuss FY23 Civic Arts Commission Work Plan.
- Kim Anno, Chair
  - Lisa Bullwinkel
  - Modesto Covarrubias
- c) Public Art — Committee met on March 16, 2022 to discuss FY23 Civic Arts Commission Work Plan
- Matt Passmore, Chair
  - Kim Anno
  - Dana Blecher
  - Modesto Covarrubias
- d) Representative on Berkeley Cultural Trust — The next meeting will be held on May 11, 2022.
- Lisa Bullwinkel
- e) Representatives on Berkeley Arts Education Steering Committee (BAESC) — No Report.
- Liz Ozol
  - Riti Dhesi
- Representative on Design Review Committee — The next meeting will be held on May 19, 2022.
    - Cameron Woo
  - Representative on Ad-Hoc Artists Affordable Housing Committee — Commissioner Anno reported that she and other committee members wish to include affordable housing for artists in the upcoming Housing Element.
    - Kim Anno

## 8. COMMUNICATION

- a) None

## 9. ADJOURNMENT Adjourn 8:13 PM

**Action:** M/S/C (Anno/Woo) to adjourn commission meeting.

**Vote:** Ayes — Anno, Blecher, Bullwinkel, Covarrubias, Dhesi, La, Ozol, Passmore, Woo;  
Nays — None; Abstain — None; Absent — None.

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